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Another installment of RedEye's "Who You Vibin'?" online dating contest has come to a close. This week's featured bachelor is ... Drew Hanson! If you're interested in getting in touch with Hanson, hit up the e-mail listed below. Whether he responds is up to him, of course. For more dating fun, visit redevechicago.com/vibin.

NAME 'HOOD **AGE** Drew Hanson Lincoln Park

I'm originally from: Ohio

What do you do? DJ/Actor/Cow puncher

Seeking: I like the girl-next-door type. She can take a goofy picture but also a normal pretty one with a smile and knows the right moment for both. A really good knowledge of pop culture is important because it's my life ... so she's

gotta keep up on the funny movie quotes. Come to think of it. I'm pretty sarcastic all the time so keeping up in general is required.

lam passionate about: Entertainment ... knowing "why" about things in life ... my steak oh, and Betty White.

The most embarrassing thing I'm willing to admit here: For a year out



E-MAIL:

of my life I was a pro wrestler. So don't get out of line with me or I will fake kick your ass.

If "MTV Cribs" came to my apartment, they'dsay: "We don't know why we are here ... we were canceled as a show numerous years ago."



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U.S. Postal Service seeks to slash costs by ending its Saturday delivery

The post office is renewing its drive to drop Saturday delivery—and plans a rate increase—in an effort to fend off a projected \$7 billion loss this year.

Without drastic action the agency could face a cumulative loss of \$238 billion over 10 years, Postmaster General John Potter said in releasing a series of consultant reports on agency operations and its outlook.

"The projections going forward are not bright," Potter told reporters in a briefing. But, he added, "all is not lost ... we can right this ship."

Sen. Tom Carper (D-Del.), chairman of the Senate subcommittee with oversight authority over the Postal Service, called on Congress to give the post office the flexibility to deal with its future needs.

Question and answer session

The Postal Service unveiled a 10-year plan Tuesday for coping with its financially strapped future. Some questions and answers:

How did the post office get in this fix?

Americans have been rapidly switching from the mail to the Internet for communications. The post office tried to refocus more on business mail and advertising, but the recession caused that to be cut also, and studies show little chance of mail volume getting back to former levels.

How bad is it?

The agency faces a possible loss of \$7 billion this year and total losses of \$238 billion over a decade if nothing is done.

Don't they get a subsidy for operations from the taxpayers?

No, that ended decades ago, and Congress is unlikely to restore it in the current financial situation.

Why is the post office so eager to eliminate Saturday

It's one of the most effective ways for it to save money. Right now it takes six mail carriers to cover five deliv-

ery routes - one per route to deliver five days, and one to work each route one day. Cut out that sixth day and you need only five carriers to serve five routes.

Why make the changes now instead of putting them off?

The post office will have 300,000 people eligible to retire in next 10 years. Six-day delivery would mean hiring new carriers. Then, if there are future cutbacks, those workers might have to be laid off. The postal service wants to avoid that.

Will post offices close on Saturday?

No, people still will be able to go there to mail items and check their post office boxes.

Will my local post office be closed?

Congress limits the closing of post offices. There is a proposal to open postal counters in places such as convenience stores, supermarkets and office supply stores. If that works, then some local post offices could be closed.



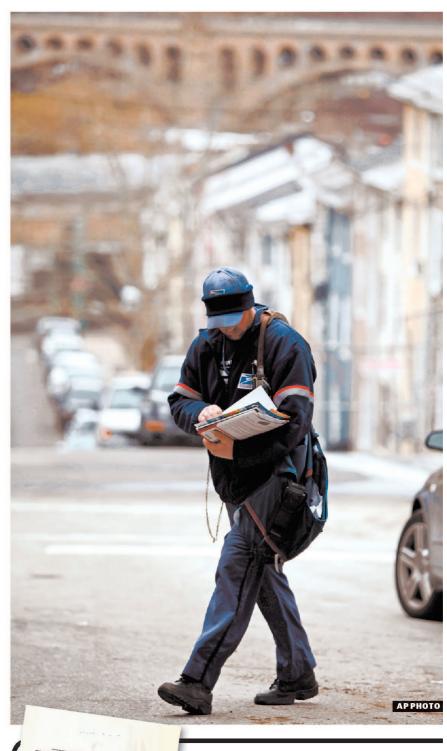
» The post office moves mail on planes, trains, trucks, cars, boats, ferries, helicopters, subways, hovercraft, street cars, bicycles, feet and even mules. The mules carry mail to people living at the bottom of the Grand Canyon. Because some of that mail is food, the post office at Peach Springs, Ariz., has freezers to store it until delivery.

218,684 Number of vehicles operated by the Postal Service

Number of mail pieces handled

» Floating post office: Post boat JW Westcott delivers mail to ships passing in the Detroit River. The boat has its own ZIP code, 48222.

» Smallest post office: Ochopee, Fla., 8 feet, 4 inches by 7 feet, 3 inches.



ONE LAST THING ...

As RedEye noted in 2003, The Postal Servicethe music group-began as a long-distance collaboration fostered via the mail. Jimmy Tamborello of Dntel would write synth-pop compositions and then send them to Death Cab for Cutie's Ben Gibbard, who would devise vocal melodies and overdubs.

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Labels just make you sound stupid

I don't mind cussing that much. I do think sometimes people overuse curse words in their everyday vernacular to the point where every other word is the F-bomb, which can make them seem less intelligent. (Trust me, your story about your trip to the Whole Foods shouldn't involve that much vulgarity; Jewel maybe, but not Whole Foods).

What I do mind is when people corrupt descriptors to mean something offensive. I am talking about "gay," "retarded" and "ladies." The first two you are probably aware of, but the third might slide under your radar.

Referring to something as "gay" or "retarded" to actually mean "stupid"—or, more accurately, "something that is beneath me"—has been in the lexicon for quite some time. Just last week I overheard a college kid on the bus say to his friend, "I hate that class; it's so gay." Unless he was talking about an Intro to Homosexuality class and the homework assignment was to make out with another dude, then I doubt the class was actually so gay.

His friend replied, "Yeah, and the professor is so retarded!" Again, not sure that's the correct way to describe the professor as I doubt he actually is someone with special needs. No, what they meant is that the class is dumb (i.e. too difficult for them intellectually) and the professor is a jerk (i.e. he won't take their crap).

These misappropriated terms need to be retired, but they are popping up everywhere. Recently, White House Chief of Staff Rahm Emanuel referred to liberals in a closed-door meeting as "retarded." Attention-whore Sarah Palin was outraged and called for the Democrat's resignation over the slur. Days later, Rush Limbaugh used the same term three times on his radio show, but Palin shrugged, saying Rush was making a joke. Regardless, the term shouldn't be used as a slur. Neither should the word "gay" to mean anything other than a homosexual—and even then be careful of your tone if you aren't one—or to mean "happy" if you are a character in a Jane Austen book.

Celebrities are using these slurs as well. Madonna called her exhusband "retarded" after their divorce, and Kristen Stewart referred to rumors of her relationship with that pale-faced vampire kid as "retarded."

The word "ladies" often is used as a negative as well. I have noticed with increasing frequency that certain types of men like to enter a room, a meeting, a huddle or any other area full of other men and say, "Hello, ladies!" or "Let's go, ladies!" They seem to be trying to exert subconscious power over these other men by demeaning them and calling them lesser humans, which apparently is how they see women. How many times have you seen a movie where the coach is disappointed in his team and calls them "ladies" or "girls"? Try pulling that crap with the Canadian women's hockey team and see how far you get.

Just because they aren't the N-word or that well-known gay slur that starts with an F doesn't mean they aren't hurtful, so why should they get a pass? Try thinking before you speak.

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Otis McDonald (right), a plaintiff in the Chicago gun ban lawsuit, stands in front of the Supreme Court building in Washington, D.C., on Tuesday. AP РНОТО



UNDERFIRE

U.S. SUPREME COURT JUSTICES SIGNAL DISSATISFACTION WITH CHICAGO HANDGUN BAN, MAY MOVE TO OVERTURN

Tribune Washington Bureau

Most of the Supreme Court justices who two years ago said the Second Amendment protects individual gun rights signaled during arguments Tuesday they are ready to extend this right nationwide and to use it to strike down some state and local gun regulations.

Since 1982, Chicago has outlawed handguns in the city, even for law-abiding residents who sought to keep one at home. That ordinance was challenged by several city residents who said it violated their rights "to keep and bear arms" under the Second Amendment.

The case forced the high court to confront a simple question it had never answered: Did the Second Amendment limit only the federal government's ability to regulate guns and state militias, or did it also give citizens a right to challenge state and local restrictions on guns?

All signs Tuesday were that five justices saw the right to "bear arms" as national in scope and not limited to laws passed in Washington.

Justice Anthony M. Kennedy described the individual right to a gun as being of "fundamental character," like the right to freedom of speech. "If it is not fundamental, then Heller is wrong," Kennedy said, referring to the decision two years ago that struck down the handgun ban in the District of Columbia. Kennedy was part of the 5-4 majority in that case.

POTENTIAL EFFECTS?

A ruling striking down the Chicago handgun ban would reverberate nationwide because it would open the courthouse door to constitutional challenges to all manner of local or state gun regulations. However, the justices may not give much guidance on how far this right extends.

Chief Justice John G. Roberts Jr. called it an "extremely important" right in the Constitution. Justices Antonin Scalia and Samuel A. Alito Jr. echoed the theme that the court had endorsed an individual, nationwide right in their decision two years ago. The fifth member of the majority, Justice Clarence Thomas, did not comment during the argument, but he had been a steady advocate of the Second Amendment.

Chief Justice Roberts all but forecast the court would issue an opinion that avoids deciding the harder questions about whether guns can be carried in public as well as kept at home. "We haven't said anything about the content of the Second Amendment," Roberts said at one point. He added that the justices need not rule on whether there is a right to carry a "concealed" weapon.

It will be several months before the court hands down a decision in the case of McDonald v. Chicago.



Areathea (second from left) and Derek Washington (right) hug friends and family Tuesday during Jada Washington's funeral at Freedom Temple Church. Jada, 6, was killed by a drunken driver while crossing the street. HEATHER CHARLES/TRIBUNE PHOTO

Community mourns girl slain in crash

Chicago Tribune

Gathering for Jada Washington's funeral at a South Side church just two blocks from where she was hit and killed by a vehicle last month, her family remembered the 6-year-old girl as smart, energetic and fiercely loyal to her brother and sister.

"She was a wonderful little girl who was taken too soon," said Vera Williams-Willis, the principal at Altgeld Elementary School, where Jada was a first-grader.

As music filled the auditorium Tuesday at Freedom Temple Church in Englewood, Jada's parents stooped beside her casket where she lay in a long white dress and tiara. A favorite pink-and-white stuffed rabbit rested beside her shoulder.

"She was my little helper," said Lauren McCue, Jada's teacher. "She would always hand out papers and pencils."

McCue said Jada, an "A" student, also had started helping a struggling classmate.

"She would always make sure this other little girl was on task and would calm her down," McCue said as she wiped away tears. "She really would have been something."

Jada and her aunt, Tiuette Richardson, 21, were walking to a corner store Feb. 16 to buy candy when a car struck them as they crossed Ashland Avenue near West 74th Street. Richardson, who underwent several surgeries for a fractured skull, leg and shoulder blade, sat in a wheelchair in the church's front row Tuesday with tears streaming down her face as friends and family members read Bible passages and sang.

The vehicle that struck Jada and Richardson was driven by Eddie Lumpkin, who was charged with reckless homicide and aggravated DUI, had cocaine in his system and admitted to smoking marijuana and buying beer before the crash, prosecutors have said. A Tribune story also disclosed that Lumpkin had been issued at least 40 traffic tickets in his life, yet still had a valid driver's license.

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Couple, son found slain in home

A husband, wife and their son were found shot to death in their Darien home early Tuesday morning after the couple's daughter called police while hiding in a closet, officials of the western suburb said.

Police arrived at the house in the 8900 block of Kilkenny Drive shortly after 3 a.m. and discovered the bodies of Jeffrey Kramer, 50, his wife Lori Kramer, 48, and their son Michael, 20, according to Police Chief Robert Pavelchik.

Jeffrey and Michael were found on the first

floor and Lori was on a stairway leading up to the second floor, Pavelchik said.

Police found three other people in the home: the couple's daughter Angela, 25, who had called 911; the couple's eldest son, Anthony, 29, who was climbing out a basement window when officers arrived; and a 17-year-old girlfriend of Michael whom police would not identify.

They said the girlfriend was the one neighbors reported pounding on their doors after the shootings.

The eldest son apparently had his bedroom in the basement, Pavelchik said, explaining why he was crawling out of the window.

Police say the three survivors did not witness the shootings.

"There's nobody that can identify the person or persons in the house that did the shooting," said John Cooper, deputy police chief. "They heard the shots but didn't see anybody."

Cooper said authorities still have no suspect or motive and have not recovered a weapon.

Abe Lincoln, vampire slayer?

Apparently when Abraham Lincoln wasn't splitting rails he was cracking heads.

Honest Abe already ranks among our country's greatest presidents, but a new book uncovers the truth about how Lincoln filled all those leisure hours when he wasn't saving the union, abolishing slavery and setting a new course for the nation's future—"Abraham Lincoln: Vampire Hunter."

The book, released this month by Grand Central Publishing, weaves historical accounts of Lincoln's life with fantasy tales of the undead. It's the latest in a series of popular mash-ups of classical literature and horror fiction, including "Pride and Prejudice and Zombies," "Sense and Sensibility and Sea Monsters" and the "Adventures of Huckleberry Finn and Zombie Jim."

Seth Grahame-Smith, the author of this fictitious Lincoln biography and the aforementioned best-selling "Pride and Prejudice" rewrite, will be part of a free book signing at 7 p.m. Saturday at The Abraham Lincoln Presidential Museum in Springfield. The event will be webcast at **presidentlincoln.org**.

"Lincoln was a big fan of classic literature and a fan of humor," said David Blanchette, the museum's spokesman. "He was a self-taught man, a well-read man, and we think he would have enjoyed this type of thing."



Former Gov. Blagojevich addresses ethics in politics Tuesday at Northwestern. CHRISSWEDA/TRIBUNE PHOTO

Crowd laughs as Blago talks ethics

Rod Blagojevich paints himself as a victim, but a capacity crowd of 1,000 people at Northwestern University saw him more as a political clown Tuesday night.

They laughed during the introductions, when a campus leader said the College Democrats invited the indicted former Illinois governor to speak to "make sure tomorrow's leaders respect the rule of law."

They laughed when someone insisted that tapping Blagojevich to lead an ethics discussion was akin to asking Tiger Woods to lecture on fidelity.

And they laughed when he compared himself to Thomas Jefferson, Elvis and a mythical Greek figure.

The audience response appeared to ruffle Blagojevich, who returned to his alma mater to give a speech on "ethics in government." He raised his voice, bemoaned the local media and vehemently

denied any wrongdoing.

"Why don't you at least give me the benefit of the doubt and let me prove myself in a court of law?" he asked.

In the 13 months since his arrest on corruption charges, the seemingly omnipresent Blagojevich has protested his innocence in myriad forums and insisted he would be cleared once the wiretaps that led to his arrest were heard. He stuck to those talking points during an appearance on the Evanston campus for which he was paid an undisclosed amount.

Blagojevich denied his jester-for-hire persona was part of his media strategy. Instead, he said, it's the only way to pay his mortgage and send his two daughters to private school.

"It's just a horrible, horrible thing," he said. "But this is a life lesson for our children."

Memo: Sophomore sports halted at CPS

Budgetary conditions have prompted Chicago Public Schools to halt all spring sophomore sports, according to a memo obtained by the Tribune.

District sports director Calvin Davis sent the memo to school athletic directors Tuesday saying that only varsity and freshman teams will be allowed to practice for now. The memo, which some coaches called confusing, comes at the last possible moment for sophomore coaches. Schools chief Ron Huberman has stated publicly that many programs will be cut and teachers will have to come to the table to negotiate their annual raises.

Body pulled from Lake Michigan near Uptown

The body of a person was found in Lake Michigan in the Uptown neighborhood Tuesday afternoon, Chicago Fire Department officials said.

Officials did not know the gender or age of the person who was found, said Quention Curtis, a fire department spokesman. Curtis said that firefighters were called to the 4700 block of the North Lake Shore Drive about 5 p.m. and located the body a short time later. Chicago police officials did not have any immediate information available.

Cops: Stabbed couple likely killed each other

A South Side husband and wife found stabbed to death in their apartment Monday afternoon probably killed each other or perhaps was a case of murdersuicide, police said Tuesday. Mario Zavala, 46, and his wife, Krystal, 22, had a "volatile relationship" and had recently gotten back together, said Officer Laura Kubiak, a department spokeswoman. Police do not believe a third person was responsible for their deaths but will wait for the results of an autopsy to make a final determination, she said. Police are treating the case not as a murder but as a death investigation, she added.

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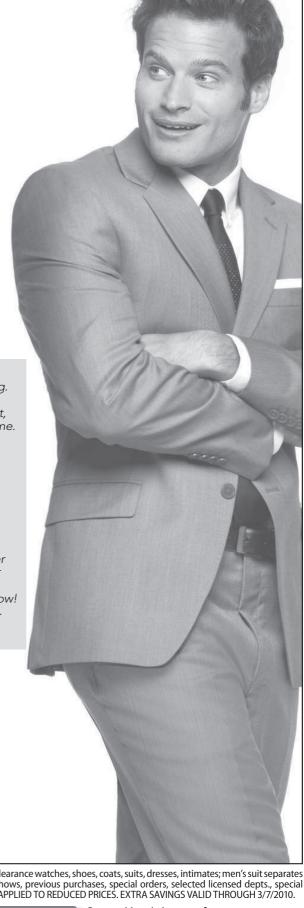
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Body may be missing teen

A body found in a shallow grave Tuesday near San Diego is believed to be that of 17-year-old former Naperville resident Chelsea King, whose disappearance led to the arrest of a registered sex offender, authorities said.

Smithsonian rejects O.J.

The Smithsonian Institution on Tuesday rejected a donation of the suit O.J.
Simpson wore when he was acquitted of murdering his ex-wife and her friend. The decision came a day after a judge approved the donation as the solution to a long court battle over the garment.



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Mom and wife

A woman taken to a Sylvania, Ohio, maternity ward in her wedding dress Saturday became a newlywed and a new mom on the same day. Jamie Phillips said her water broke at the reception after her marriage to Mark Phillips. The baby boy, named Tova, wasn't due until March 7.

Hacker network busted

Authorities in San Francisco have smashed one of the world's biggest networks of virus-infected computers, a data vacuum that stole credit cards and online banking credentials from as many as 12.7 million poisoned PCs.

New brake regulations?

Transportation Secretary Ray LaHood said Tuesday his agency may recommend that every new vehicle sold in the U.S. be equipped with brakes that can override the gas pedal.

Ford feasts on Toyota

Ford posted a 43 percent jump in February U.S. auto sales and outsold General Motors for the first time in nearly a dozen years as it grabbed sales from Toyota.

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Political strategist Karl Rove says President George W. Bush made the right decision to launch the Iraq war in 2003, but the former White House adviser admits in his new memoir, "Courage and Consequence," the failure to find weapons of mass destruction badly damaged the administration's credibility. The book is due out Tuesday.

U.S. vulnerable to megaquake

Just 50 miles off the Pacific Northwest coast is an earthquake hot spot that threatens to unleash on Seattle, Portland and Vancouver the kind of damage that has shattered Chile.

The fault has been dormant for more than 300 years, but when it awakens—tomorrow or decades from now—the consequences could be devastating.

Recent computer simulations of a hypothetical magnitude-9 quake found that shaking could last 2 to 5 minutes—strong enough to potentially cause poorly constructed buildings from British Columbia to Northern California to collapse and severely damage

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U.S. Secretary of State Hillary Clinton handed over 25 satellite phones to Chile in the country's capital of Santiago on Tuesday while promising more. She said there has been no discussion of sending U.S. troops to help distribute aid or keep order, as was done in Haiti following the far more deadly earthquake on the island in January.

highways and bridges.

Such a quake also would send powerful tsunami waves rushing to shore in minutes. While big cities such as Portland and Seattle would be protected from severe flooding, low-lying seaside communities may not be as lucky.

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The Pacific Northwest "has a long geological history of doing exactly what happened in Chile," said Brian Atwater, a geologist with the U.S. Geological Survey and University of Washington. "It's not a matter of if but when the next one will happen."

There's an 80 percent chance the southern end of the fault off southern Oregon and Northern California would break in the next 50 years and produce a megaquake, said Chris Goldfinger, who heads the Active Tectonics and Seafloor Mapping Laboratory at Oregon State University.



Dead man's message

his hearse and at his gravesite. АРРНОТО

The coffin of lifelong smoker Albert Whittamore is carried Tuesday during a burial

service at St. Mary's Cemetery in Dover, England. Whittamore, who died at age 85 in

January from emphysema, asked that the words "Smoking Killed Me" be placed on signs in

being in proper control of a vehicle. His lawyer, Paul Donoghue, said the 23-year-old Railton acknowledged "it was a silly thing to do and there was an element of laziness" while exercising his lurcher, a type of crossbred sighthound.

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Team's success has vaulted hockey to Cubs-like popularity in Chicago

By Ryan Smith

FOR REDEYE

Aaron Robison is reluctant to admit it, but he's the kind of Blackhawks fan who's been spotted ever more frequently at the United Center young, enthusiastic and barely aware of the team's long-suffering days. Just don't call the 27-year-old accountant the dreaded "B-word."

"I feel very self-accused about being a bandwagon fan," said Robison, of Lakeview. "It feels like I lack because I just started watching when the Hawks were getting more popular, so I think I have that held against me."

Bandwagon guilt is a common theme among Blackhawks nation these days. A couple of seasons ago, the Hawks were the dimmest star in Chicago's sports constellation, and their fan base had seemingly dwindled to a small group of die-hards.

Veteran Hawks winger Adam Burish remembers that time well.

"My first couple years here, there'd be 5,000 people here for home games," he said. "It was so dead and miserable, we'd joke and say that it was Dress Like a Seat night out there."

But the organization has used a well-timed combination of bright young talent, increased TV exposure and-most importantly-onice success to revive the brand. Suddenly the United Center is consistently filled with so many new hockey enthusiasts that some have nicknamed the stadium "Winter Wrigley."

"Definitely from what I've seen, the United Center has turned into Wrigley Field a little bit here, and there's a kind of a party atmosphere," said David Eckland, 26, of Tinley Park, an admitted "bandwagon hopper."

For Matt Lowman, the Blackhawks experience is even better than Wrigley.

Lowman, 24, was one of the 22,161 people

at a sold-out Hawks game Feb. 5 and counted himself a Chicago sports agnostic when he moved to Lincoln Park from Columbus, Ohio, in August 2008. One might assume the Ohio State University alumnus with little hockey knowledge quickly would convert to the Bears or Bulls. Guess again.

"I like the Blackhawks more than any other Chicago team," Lowman said. "I liked watching them, and honestly, there's been more of a buzz

around the Blackhawks in Lincoln Park than about the Cubs, Sox or Bears over the last year."

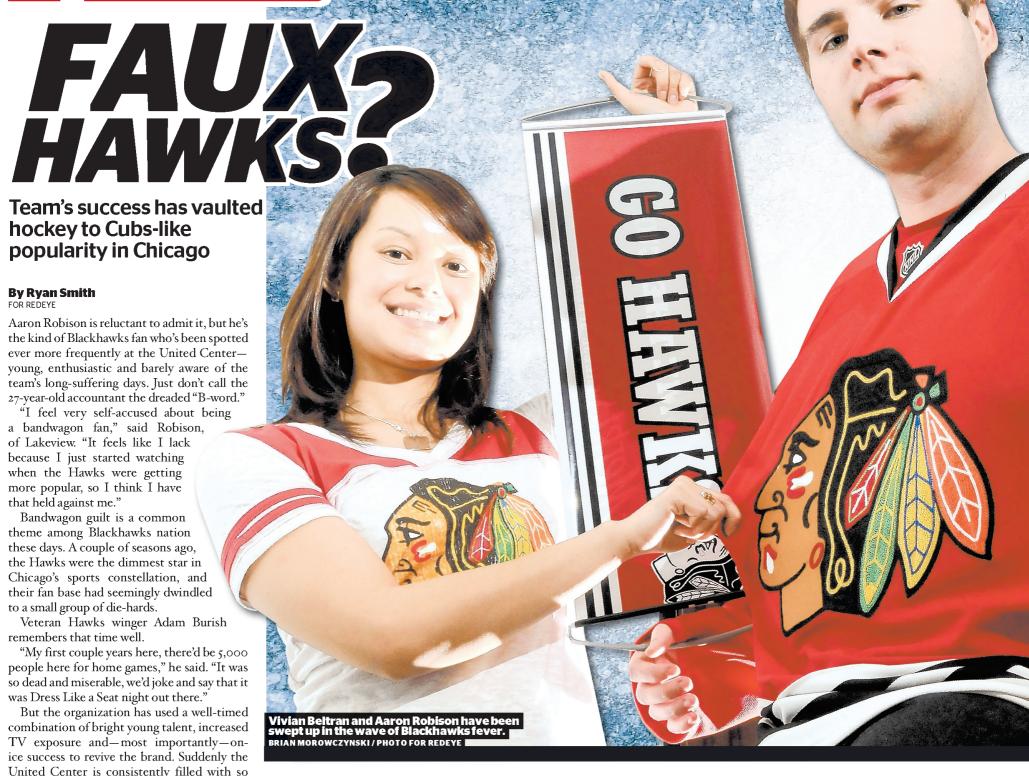
And though she is a Chicago native, Vivian Beltran, 28, of Lakeview, claimed to be a fan of only the Cubs and Bears until six months ago, when Robison, her boyfriend, introduced her to hockey.

"I wasn't really interested in it before, but I watched a few games with [Robison] and I grew to love it," she said. "It's a new thing for me, and it's very exciting."

The excitement surrounding the Blackhawks is palpable to the team's tenured players—many of whom recall the Hawks' lean years.

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"It used to be quiet here for games, you expected to get a boost from fans at home, but it just wasn't there," Hawks defenseman Brent Seabrook said. "Now these fans are awesome and crazy and it's been a lot of fun being in front of a packed house. It's given us a boost going



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ARE YOU A BANDWAGON FAN?

How do you separate the real hard-core fans from the ones just taking a brief break from baseball or the Bears? We devised a simple quiz to help you figure out what kind of Blackhawks fan you are.

3. Jonathan

Toews' last name is

pronounced

c. Um, I have no clue.

like ...

a. Toesb. Tayves

1. What is a hat trick?

- **a.** The term for the rare feat of a player scoring three goals in a single game.
- **b.** When a player blocks a flying puck in midair with his helmet.
- **c.** A crazy goal celebration where a player performs a head spin on the ice.

2. The tradition of the national anthem at Blackhawks home games consists of ...

- **a.** Players placing their hand on the face of the team logo during the song.
- **b.** Fans cheering and applauding throughout the
- whole song, not just during the last couple of lines.
- **c.** The public address system blaring a recorded version of the anthem performed by R. Kelly.

4. In the offseason, the Hawks signed Marian Hossa for a contract worth ...

- **a.** \$31 million over five years
- **b.** \$62.8 million over 12 years **c.** Partial ownership of the team and the exclusive rights to the "Hoss" nickname.



Hossa

5. When the Red Wings come to town, the home crowd is fond of chanting the phrase ...

a. "Detroit sucks!"

b. "Clip those wings!"

c. "Bailout!" Bailout!"

J. A, 2. B, 3. B, 4. B, 5. A

KEY

- **5 Correct:** Hardcore Hawk
- **3-4 Correct:** Welcome to the bandwagon
- 1-2 Correct: Casual
- observer
- O Correct: Pretender

into games."

But not everyone is thrilled with the idea of thousands of newbie Hawks fans flooding the stands. Some of the devout old-school fans who have stuck with the team through thin and thin are a bit wary.

"Five to 10 years ago, nobody gave a [poop]," said Craig Bergman, 31, of Lake in the Hills, who said he's been a hard-core fan for 20 years. "It sucks now that there's so many people

because I can't afford a ticket these days. You got a better team, but you can't afford a ticket."

David Campbell, 34, of Wicker Park, lamented the sudden number of "W" flags imported from Wrigley and a lack of hockey knowledge and etiquette.

"The thing I hate the worst is the 'SHOOT!' scream from bandwagon fans whenever any Blackhawks player touches the puck," Campbell said.

Robison and Beltran have seen some of the resentment from longtime fans firsthand. A season-ticket holder yelled at them at a recent Hawks game for standing in front of him during the play.

"He was like, 'Excuse me, you need to sit down until a play is over with,' "Beltran said. "At Wrigley, you're used to people being so drunk at the game that they don't pay as much attention." Burish said he doesn't care for all the negative talk about bandwagon fans.

"I hear people say that bandwagon fans are taking all the season tickets. Big deal. If you want to come and support the team, I don't care how long you've been here," Burish said. "My thought is that if you want to come out and cheer, I could care less if you've been here for 10 years or 10 minutes."

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What do you think the Bulls should do with Joakim Noah and his foot?

What could Jonathan Toews,

and Patrick Kane do with their medals?

Duncan Keith, Brent Seabrook

Donate it to the museum ... at my house.

Cut his hair.

Considering he's on my fantasy team, make him suck it up and get me some boards!

The opposite of what they do with Luol Dena.

Put it on ice. I like it that way.

How would you suggest Gordon Beckham get accustomed to playing second base?

In the mirror or the produce aisle. Scott could tell him what the kids do these days.

He could hang around Tracy and before long he'd be accustomed with second

I wouldn't know. I, um, never get to second base.

Just ask @OzzieGuillen.

First, wear a cup.

NASCAR is taking the wings off its cars. What do you think of that?

Did Red Bull pull out as a sponsor? That's probably because Ricky Bobby is such a Tiger.

About time. Maybe next they can take the mullets off its crowd

The ability for stock cars to fly does sound like it could create a competitive disadvantage.

Attach them to Danica Patrick's back so she can fly far, far away.

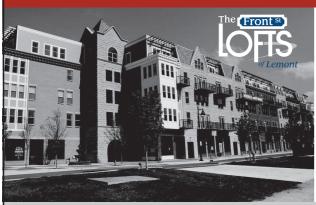
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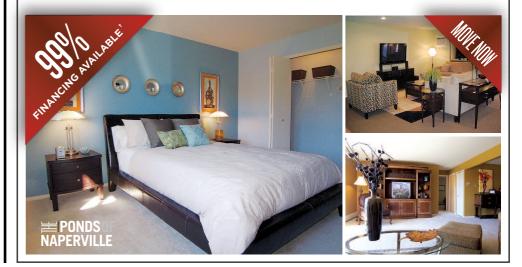
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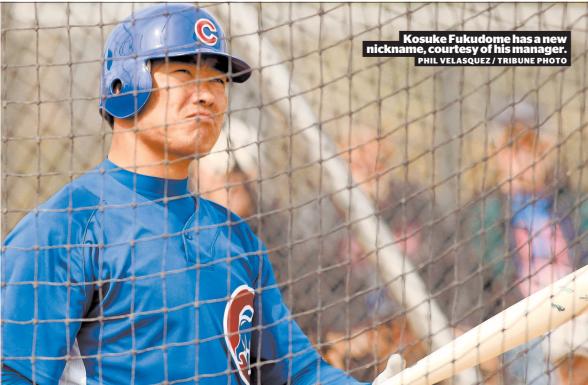
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What 'the Fook'?

MESA, Ariz. The final day of practice at Fitch Park was dominated by one big question:

Why has Lou Piniella suddenly begun referring to Kosuke Fukudome as "the Fook" in Fukudome's third season with the Cubs?

A Japanese reporter wanted to know where the nickname came from, and Piniella had a simple reply:

"I like the name," he said.

Why's that? "It's easy to say," he said.

Sounds like another Cubs-ready T-shirt.

"Why not?" Piniella replied.

Piniella told the reporter that if Fukudome didn't like his new nickname, he should tell him. Fukudome's interpreter, Hiro Aoyama, confirmed that Fukudome is OK with the name.

"Trademark," Aoyama joked.

Of course, if "the Fook" doesn't start hitting more than .250, it's doubtful the T-shirts will be a hot item.

NAME THAT CUB If Lou Piniella can nickname Kosuke Fukudome "the Fook," RedEye can give some other Cubs new nicknames. How about these?



Jeff "The Dictionary" Samardziia: Self-explanatory.



Micah "The Hoff" Hoffpauir: Suck it, Hasselhoff.



Ted "Eli" Lilly: He's the perfect medicine for a losing streak.



Tom Gorzelanny:



GUILLEN'S PREDICTION Ozzie Guillen made a bold prediction

about Gavin Floyd, who won a career-high 17 games in 2008. "I want Gavin Floyd to win 20 games," Guillen said after Floyd threw two scoreless innings Tuesday in a B game against the L.A. Dodgers. "Why? Because I think he has the potential to do it."



N.Y. ISLANDERS 5. BLACKHAWKS 3

Blake Comeau had a hat trick to lift the New York Islanders to a 5-3 victory over the Blackhawks on Tuesday. Patrick Kane (left) scored and had an assist for the Hawks, whose other goals were scored by Brian Campbell and Dustin Byfuglien.

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Comfort in a bottle

These winter bar openings are heating up the nightlife scene

By Lisa Arnett

From a dress-to-impress lounge in River North to a new location of Harry Caray's Tavern, there are plenty of new hangouts to keep your glass full until spring comes along.



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Harry Caray's Tavern

Navy Pier, 700 E. Grand Ave. 312-527-9700 Thanks to the touristy location of this sports shrine, just opened Monday, it probably isn't going to become your new favorite bar. But if you find yourself thirsty on Navy Pier for reasons we won't ask you to justify, it's one of the better places to park yourself, especially when the 140seat patio opens. Good news for Jeremy Piven stalkers tiring of Rockit and Hub 51: He's one of many celeb investors here (Ryne Sandberg, Ernie Banks, Richard Dent and others) with a cocktail inspired by him on the menu. (Ari's Gold is a vanilla-citrus lemonade, in case you were wondering.)

Primebar

155 N. Wacker Drive 312-884-0000 Loop cubicle dwellers, ready for a fresh afterwork hangout? Picture yourself here noshing on chimichurri steak pizza and sriracha-spiced shrimp sliders. Primebar does have a sleek.

somewhat corporate feel similar to Midtown and One North, both within a four-block radius and also operated by Restaurants-America. But what sets it apart is the level of local libations, from Two Brothers and Metropolitan brews to cocktails devoted to Illinois-made spirits, such as the Chicago 75 (\$10), made with North Shore #6 gin, Koval chrysanthemum honey liqueur and Goose Island 312. It's now open for lunch, hoping to add evening hours by week's end.

650 N. Dearborn St. No phone yet Lest you think the so-called ultra-lounge concept went out with the recession, this spot aims to cater to the club-crawling crowd at a lower price tag-think \$9 martinis and Grey Goose bottle service for \$150. Located in the basement of the Joynt (enter off Dearborn just south of Erie), the lounge opens at 10 p.m. Tuesday through Saturday and has no cover for now. The candlelit

front room is fit for sitting and sipping on plush banquettes, while the DJ booth-equipped back room has a clubbier feel. Find reservations info on metromix.com.

Houndstooth Saloon

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The popular Wrigleyville hangout with a Southern accent moves one block south to much larger digs, reopening Thursday with its customary country music night. If anything has staying power at this slippery North Clark address, which has switched from Brody's on Clark to Twisted Spoke to the Zoo in recent years, it's this bar with a booming University of Alabama following. We've got our eve on the party room, decked out with a trio of booths that are each equipped with TVs and beer taps built into the table. Until a self-serve metering system similar to that of Bull & Bear's is fine-tuned, taps will be monitored by the staff.

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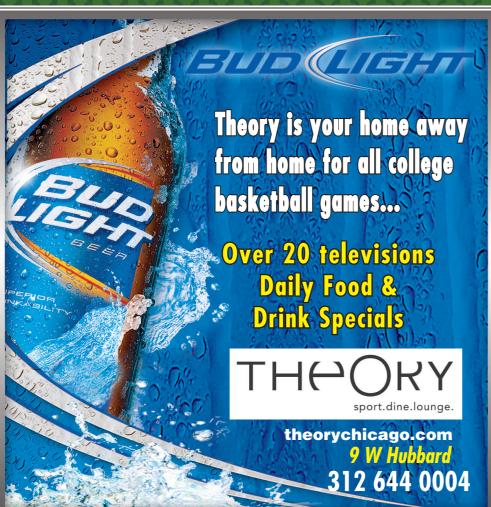








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RANDOM ACTS OF GREATNESS

The Maple Leaf cocktail (\$10) at Gilt Bar (230 W. Kinzie St.). This not-toosweet drink featuring Rittenhouse rye is perfect for entry-level whiskey drinkers. -Lisa Arnett

The refreshing mojito (\$8) at Cafe 28 (1800 W. Irving Park Rd.). Served in a pint glass with fresh mint, this classic Cuban cocktail reminds us that summer drinks are just as nice in the dead of winter. -Rebecca Palmore

The quirky duckcentric mural on the ladies' room wall at Duck Walk's new Lincoln Park location (1217

W. Fullerton Ave.). These drawings of a quaint duck city (think duck gas station and Duck University) were so

sweet that even our dining companion couldn't resist snapping photos of them.

Video Power Hour, 8-9 p.m. Fridays at Faith & Whiskey (1365 W. Fullerton Ave.). You can't go wrong with this rotating blast from the past. pairing 60 retro video clips with a drinking game (throw back shots from a \$10 domestic pitcher at the start of each clip). Last week we reveled in '80s TV show intros, from "Perfect Strangers" to "Tailspin:" this week, watch movie trailers from the '90s. -Lisa Balde

Amy Lechelt-Basta, the sweet and stylish owner of former Southport shop Ciao Bella who now runs her own styling service, the Style Muse. If you've missed her as much as we have, pay a visit Friday at Londo Mondo (2148 N. Halsted St.) in Lincoln Park, where she'll help shoppers put together spring outfits (5-8 p.m.). -L.A.

JOIN THE RANDOMNESS!

What are you loving this week? Log onto metromix.com to send us your own Random Acts of Greatness. You might just spot your pick in a future issue.

Maple Leaf

WEDNESDAY DEALS

6 CORNERS SPORTS BAR

\$5 Smirnoff martinis and Jack Daniel's cocktails. \$12 domestic buckets; 1950 W. North Ave. 773-235-5700.

BETTY'S BLUE STAR LOUNGE

\$3 Miller Lite bottles, \$4 bombs, well cocktails and Coronas; 1600 W. Grand Ave. 312-243-1699.

BROADWAY CELLARS

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\$5 premium well drinks: 1113 W. Belmont Ave. 312-224-8588.

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\$1 sliders, \$5 Bud Light drafts: 950 W. Wrightwood Ave. 773-832-4000.

HACKNEY'S

\$10 for a burger and a beer; 733 S. Dearborn St. 312-461-1116.

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\$2.50 domestic drafts, \$5.95 turkey burgers; 3441 N. Halsted St. 773-348-9696.

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IN FINE SPIRITS LOUNGE

\$5 flatbreads: 5420 N. Clark St. 773-334-9463.

\$1 off glasses of wine, \$2 mixed drinks, \$4 Sam Adams drafts, \$5 Smirnoff martinis, halfprice large pizzas: 2051 W. Division St. 773-394-2066.

JUNIOR'S SPORTS LOUNGE

\$5 mojitos; 724 W. Maxwell St. 312-421-2277.

KELLY'S PUB

\$2 Coors Light drafts, \$3 all other drafts, 10 cent wings; 949 W. Webster Ave. 773-281-0656.

LANDMARK

Wino Wednesdays. Halfpriced bottles of wine, complimentary pizza with bottle purchase (7-8 p.m.), \$5 Svedka cocktails; 1633 N. Halsted St. 312-587-1600.

LINCOLN STATION

\$2.50 Metropolitan pints, \$3.50 draft of the month, half-price glasses of wine, \$1 hot roast beef sandwiches; 2432 N. Lincoln Ave. 773-472-8100.

LOTTIES PUB

\$2.50 beer cans, \$3 chicken sandwiches. \$4 Jack Daniel's, Stoli and Captain Morgan cocktails: 1925 W. Cortland Ave. 773-489-0738.

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MAHONEY'S

\$5 Jameson shots and cocktails, \$10 domestic pitchers, \$16 domestic buckets: 551 N. Oaden Ave. 312-733-2121.

MORSELAND

\$3 Bell's pints, DJ Lokua spins electronica and ambient 10 p.m.; 1218 W. Morse Ave. 773-764-8900.

THE PONY

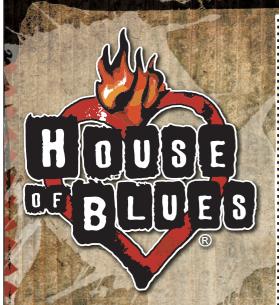
Honky Tonk Wednesdays. Half-price burgers and wings, \$3 SoCo Lime shots and 16-ounce Coors Light cans; 1638 W. Belmont Ave. 773-828-5055.

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Drink pink

Locals showed their shades of pink at River North club **Cuvee** (308 W. Erie St.) on Feb. 28 for VIPink, a benefit bash for breast and ovarian cancer education. The parties our cameras caught clearly weren't afraid to get hands-on with the subject matter.

» For more photos of who we've seen on the scene, log on to metromix.com







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QUEENS TAVERN & BISTRO

\$5 burgers with fries; 750 W. Cornelia Ave. 773-248-8333.

REAGLE BEAGLE

\$3 drafts, half-price pizzas: 160 E. Grand Ave. 312-755-9645.

RODAN

\$2 PBR drafts, \$5 select cocktails: 1530 N. Milwaukee Ave. 773-276-7036.

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\$3 Miller Lite bottles. \$5 select martinis, \$7 Stoli martinis; 3320 N. Halsted St. 773-348-1053.

SCOT'S

\$2 off cosmos; 1829 W. Montrose Ave. 773-528-3253.

SEDGWICK'S

\$1 mini-pulled pork sandwiches, \$4 microbrew drafts and bottles, half-price appetizers (4-7 p.m.): 1935 N. Sedgwick St. 312-337-7900.

THE SHRINE

Free Soul. \$5 vodka cranberry cocktails, DJs spin Afro beat, soul and disco 9 p.m. No cover; 2109 S. Wabash Ave. 312-753-5700.

SIMONE'S BAR

\$5 for a shot of Jameson and a PBR; 960 W. 18th St. 312-666-8601.

SOPO

\$3 Bud beers and sangria glasses, \$4 martinis, \$5 salads, half-price ribs; 3418 N. Southport Ave. 773-348-0100.

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Half-price drinks, \$3 Guinness drafts. Jameson shots and Stoli flavor cocktails, \$3.50 Blue Moon drafts, halfprice food (5-7 p.m.); 2721 N. Halsted St. 773-880-9293.

UNION PARK

\$3 drafts, half-price jumbo chicken wings; 228 S. Racine Ave. 312-243-9002.

VICTORY LIQUORS

\$1 Miller Lite bottles, half-price burgers, karaoke 9 p.m.; 2610 N. Halsted St. 773-348-5600.

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\$2 PBR cans, 50 cent large wings; 649 S. Clark St. 312-356-9992.

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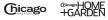
















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Bigger and better

Event co-founder Josh Chicoine on year two of the Chicago International Movies and Music Fest

By Matt Pais

"Last year we were more concerned about just putting this thing on," co-founder Josh Chicoine says about the first installment of the Chicago International Movies and Music Festival. "And getting the film festival part of it up and going."

For anyone who thinks the music side got short-changed, well, CIMM 2010 is different. Held Thursday-Sunday primarily at the St. Paul Cultural Center (2215 W. North Ave.), Lincoln Hall (2424 N. Lincoln Ave.), Chicago Cultural Center (78 E. Washington St.) and **Schubas** (3159 N. Southport Ave.), this year's fest includes about a dozen musical acts (including Robyn Hitchcock, DJ Spooky and Jon Langford) as well as several musical accompaniments to films. Arguably the most unusual: King Pluto's Whispering Choir performing with the Lonesome Organist, who will be playing a 100-year-old pipe organ to accompany the 1925 silent Italian horror film "Maciste in Hell."

While eating with fest co-founder Ilko Davidov at **90 Miles Cuban Cafe** (2540 W. Armitage Ave.), Chicoine, 36, who lives in



Lincoln Square and was the singer-guitarist in mostly defunct local band the M's, checked in about CIMM part two.

What it takes to put on an event like this: "Uh, leap of faith?"

Movies and music go together like ... "Chocolate and peanut butter. Are you gonna use that one? [Laughs] Let me ask Ilko, hold on one second. [Asks Davidov] How about a shot and a beer."

On more bands entering the film world: "It's almost like the next wave of MTV, where you couldn't not have a video during that time because of the number of bands, the amount of music and everybody's vying for attention. The more innovative [of a] group you are, and more places that you can be seen, the better it is for you."

How much the music/movies relationship was damaged by "From Justin to Kelly": [Laughs]

"Well, you know, Hollywood has some funny ideas and every year they try to outdo themselves by lowering the standards. There's life, and I think maybe you have to look outside of the Hollywood machine to see it. So that's our role."

Band he wants to make a movie: Sigur Ros, whose tour documentary "We Play Endlessly" is screening during Sunday brunch at Schubas. "I think that if they went for it, they would come up with something that is really beautiful."

Filmmaker he wants to make an album:

Paul Thomas Anderson. "I was completely in love with 'There Will Be Blood.' I thought as a whole entire thing, that thing was just amazing."

Chicago International Movies and Music Festival (CIMM)

When: 7-11 p.m. Thursday; 4 p.m.-midnight Friday; noon-midnight Saturday, noon-8 p.m. Sunday Info: There are a total of 38 feature films and 15 music videos. You can snag tickets to individual events for as low as \$10, buy an all-movie pass for \$30, or get into every event for \$40. Full info at cimmfest.org

Lessons from CIMM '09: "Ilko and I kind of held things close to the chest last year and realized that that wasn't really the way to do it. We needed to empower people more and get more responsibility spread out so that people weren't calling our cell phones for straws or more cups, along with 'Where the hell was this film?' Our phones were ridiculous last year. I would turn it off for like 15 minutes and I swear to God I'd have 13 voice-mail messages and 50-some odd text messages. It was crazy. This year we're definitely more focused on getting our organization to the point where everybody's got what they need, people have the authority to make decisions without calling us for everything, and I think that's going to be a big change."

Making the fest happen: "Everywhere that we turned we found people that were excited about what we were trying to do and willing to help out, even in the smallest way. Chicago's a place where you can do things and you can do things in a new way. I don't feel like there's anything that I can't do here. If you do good things and make good friends and do everything in a positive way that's sincere, Chicago is willing to listen. And in our case, willing to



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The Magnetic Fields
7:30 p.m. Sun. at Harris Theater
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10 p.m. Fri. at Hideout Hear songs from local's new "Time and Temperature," out April 6.



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NEW RELEASES





The Postelles

"White Night" digital EP (Capitol Records)

I've been waiting for an official release from this New York band since being highly impressed by its display of charming, Frankie Valli-meetsthe Strokes pop at Lolla 2008. At last this little teaser, three tracks plus a remix of "Sleep on the Dance Floor," arrives in advance of the band's self-

titled full-length debut, due later this year. The verdict: Well, the remix is pretty unnecessary, but the original version is candy-coated modern doo-wop that makes you want to sing along. Singer Daniel Balk's irresistibly retro voice makes "Looking Glass" catchier than its melody deserves to be, and the title track's fidgety groove earns considerable danceabilty—just not if you're wearing an outfit less than 45 years old. Nothing here is quite as delicious as the Postelles' previous Albert Hammond Jr.-produced single, "123 Stop," but I'm still really jazzed for the full-length.

-MATT PAIS

make this idea that was hashed—you know, two guys at a bar [Green Eye, 2403 W. Homer St.]—into a reality to which we're in the second year of and growing. And Chicago wants this to happen, and we want to give it to'em."

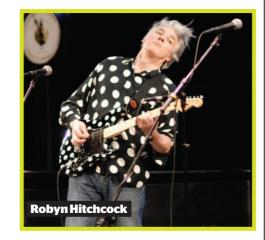
Goals for the future: Get bigger. "I think we realized this year that the idea is pretty fantastic and the thing that we're running into right now, which everybody's running into now, is dollars to make it happen."

If someone says, "I've never heard of that;

I'm not going": "I would say there's nothing easier than to keep on doing the same thing you've been doing and to not seek out new things."

If you think the programming's too weird:

"There's going to be some people who are uncomfortable by things that they don't get. They don't understand; they've never been exposed to something that's new. Which is completely understandable. People are people



and you can't make 'em change or do anything to make them understand. They either get it or they don't. And I think a lot of things that I get a lot of people don't get. Like 'From Justin To Kelly.' I don't get that, but maybe some other people do."

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ALISON RUBLE

5 p.m. \$5. Andy's Jazz Club, 11 E. Hubbard St. 312-642-6805.

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8 p.m. \$8-\$18. Space, 1245 Chicago Ave., Evanston. 847-492-8860.

ANNA SOLTYS AND THE FAMILIAR

8 p.m. Cover varies. The Underground Wonder Bar, 10 E. Walton St. 312-266-7761.

BAROQUE BAND

7:30 p.m. \$15-\$35. Grainger Ballroom, Symphony Center, 220 S. Michigan Ave. 312-294-3000.

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8 p.m. \$5-\$8. Bottom Lounge, 1375 W. Lake St. 312-666-6775.

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5 p.m. \$11-\$13. Reggie's Rock Club, 2109 S. State St. 312-949-0120.

CONGO SQUARE

8:30 p.m. Cover varies. The Velvet Lounge, 67 E. Cermak Rd. 312-791-9050.

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9 p.m. Free. Red Line Tap, 7006 N. Glenwood Ave. 773-274-5463.

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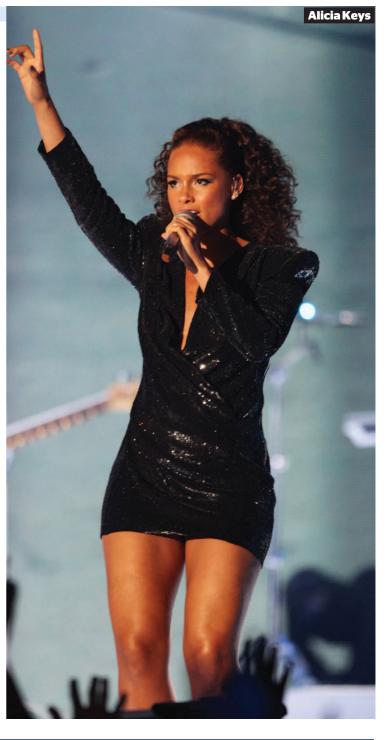
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ON SALE 10 A.M. SATURDAY

a-ha, Thursday, May 13 (\$42, all ages) at Riviera Theatre.

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ON SALE 11 A.M. SATURDAY

Thirty Seconds to Mars, Mutemath, Neon Trees, Friday, April 16 (\$28.50-\$30, all ages) at Aragon.

ON SALE NOON SATURDAY

Dieselboy, Alfonz de La Mota, Riverman, **B2B, The Ghost, Friday,** April 16 (\$5-\$15, 21+) at Smart Bar.

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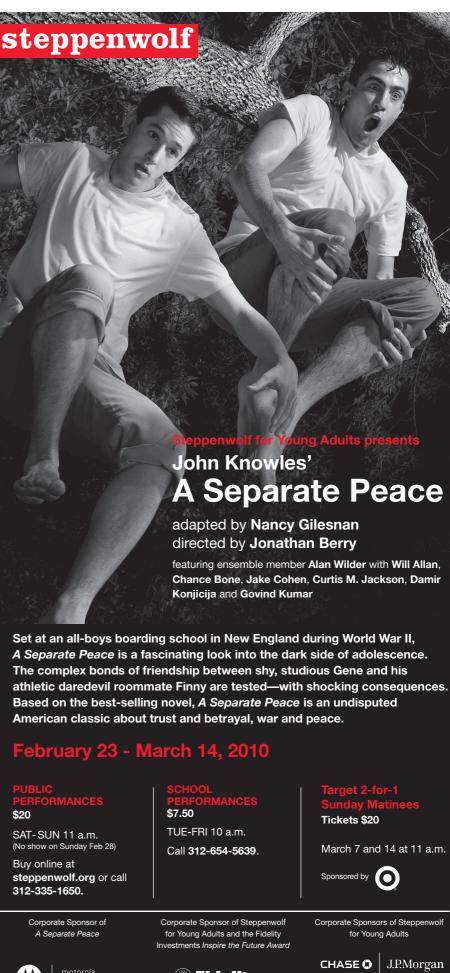
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Dancing at Lughnasa

Seanachai Theatre Company stages Brian Friel's drama about the struggles of five Irish sisters in the 1930s. Next show: Thursday. Through April 4. \$22-\$26. Irish American Heritage Center, 4626 N. Knox Ave. 866-811-4111.

The DNA Trail

A collection of seven short plays explores the politics of identity. Next preview: Wednesday. Through April 4. \$24-\$32. Silk Road Theatre Project at the Chicago Temple, 77 W. Washington St. 312-857-1234.

Fathers and Sons

Three generations of men confront past mistakes and look to future goals. Next show: Thursday. Through April 4. \$30. ETA Creative Arts Foundation, 7558 S. South Chicago Ave. 773-752-3955.

I Killed My Mother

A woman raised in an orphanage struggles to develop her identity. Next show: Thursday. Through March 14. \$20. Theatre Y at the Greenhouse Theater Center, 2257 N. Lincoln Ave. 773-404-7336.

David Schwimmer directs this drama about an online encounter that sparks a family crisis. Next preview: Wednesday. Through April 25. \$18-\$62. Lookingglass Theatre, 821 N. Michigan Ave. 312-337-0665.

HIGH SCHOOL MUSICAL

Cult classic 'The Breakfast Club' gets a local makeover for the stage

By Rebecca Palmore

The (high school) halls are alive with the sound of music, and the tune is teen angst. That's right: John Hughes' iconic 1985 movie about Saturday detention—and so much more—is getting the song-and-dance treatment thanks to an adaptation by self-described "Breakfast Club" geek Jason Geis.

The 32-year-old co-artistic director and co-founder of pH Productions wrote songs about detention, virgins, being trapped at school and more for his ensemble, which got its footing locally with improv and sketch comedy

before moving into the genre of musical theater last year with the debut of "Rubbed The Musical" (the story portrayed a genie who lived inside a magic bong. Geis played the genie). This year, Geis is directing his first adaptation, with arrangements by musical director Jessica Hunt.

If you're expecting a parody of Brat Pack personalities, however, you're better off roasting the film in the privacy of your own home. Geis' version, while funny, doesn't dare make fun of the source material. We asked him to explain.

You've said you made this "out of pure respect and admiration for the original film." Was that your goal all along?

Absolutely. "Breakfast Club" is my favorite movie of all time. I remember identifying with it really early on. My mom said, "You've got to see this movie," and I remember being little—almost 8—and watching it and not understanding it, but liking it.

Did you spend a lot of time in detention in high school?

I was in detention once. My favorite character in the movie is Brian, the Anthony Michael Hall character. That's the first and only time that kid will ever been in detention, and that's how I was. We were in French class and the teacher said, "If one more person says a word, you're all getting a detention." And someone said, "A word." We all laughed and thought it was great.

Tell me about the songs.

There are a couple of songs that are really close to my heart. "Spread My Wings" is one of them, sung by the Allison character—the Ally Sheedy character—and it's kind of her moment.

When she's getting the makeover?

Before that, when she



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dumps her purse out. And they're like, "What is wrong with you?" So she kind of has her moment in the sun. And then, there's a thing at the end called, "Would it Be Wrong?" where they're all starting to realize they've fallen for each other. There's 20 songs total.

How would you describe the style of the songs?

They're all over the board.

They're Broadway style, but we played with a lot of different genres because all the kids are different.

Is there a song about smoking pot?

A lot of people have asked me about that scene. I cut a lot of the pot-smoking stuff out. It is still in the show, but there's not really a specific song about it. It's the only part of the movie—when Emilio Estevez does his little dance and screams and breaks the window—that's my least favorite, so I cut it.

How many times have you watched the movie?

Seriously? Over 100. I watched it at least 50 times before I started writing [the musical]. And since then, probably at least another 20 or 30 more. I have it on my iPhone right now so that

I can watch certain scenes every once in a while.

So you're still going back to the movie?

I've had to walk away from it. This is an homage to the movie. I really wanted it to be our own interpretation. I had to stress to the actors that I don't want these to be impersonations of Rob Lowe and Emilio Estevez and Molly Ringwald. In fact, the girl who's playing Claire asked if she should dye her hair red, and I told her, "No. I don't want you to be playing Molly Ringwald playing Claire. I want you to play Claire."

Do you have more full-length musicals in the works?

There are at least three more right now that I know of. I'm writing one based on the life of the Parker Brothers and the creation of the game Monopoly. The cast is really anxious for me to start adapting other movies into musicals, so there's been a request for me to do "The Goonies." I'm looking at the script right now, but I've made a promise to two of our cast members that I will give it the old college try.

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Ebert speaks again

Movie critic makes himself heard through computer

By Maureen Ryan

Four years ago, one of the most famous voices in the entertainment industry was silenced.

Film critic Roger Ebert's voice was heard again Tuesday on "The Oprah Winfrey Show."

A high-tech program created by a Scottish company called CereProc used Ebert's DVD commentaries to create a synthetic version of his voice, which Ebert used to "talk" via his computer on Winfrey's

Ebert has been battling cancer for eight years, and for the past few years, he hasn't been able to eat, drink or speak.

But he hasn't lost the ability communicate—far from it. As proved in his reviews, a recent Esquire profile, on his blog and through his Twitter tweets, he continues to be one of the most productive critics.

He's also one of the most beloved; when he walked out on Winfrey's stage, he got a standing ovation. Ebert and his wife, Chaz, joined Winfrey in her Chicago studio, but the part of the inter-

view in which he unveiled his new voice was shot in the couple's Chicago town house.

"It still needs improvement but at least it sounds like me," Ebert said through his computer voice "[In] first grade, they said I talked too much. And now I still can."

As Ebert "talked" for the first time since July 1, 2006 — the date of the surgery that ended his ability to speak—his wife wiped away tears.

"I actually think it's incredible, it's incredible that that's your voice," she said. "Roger, what do you

"Uncanny. A good feeling," he said.

Though the new voice did sound a lot like the



Ebert familiar from "At the Movies," for much of the interview, Ebert used a more standard computer voice, which sounded a bit like Hal from "2001: A Space Odyssey."

Ebert said he couldn't recall his last words.

"I probably spoke them to Chaz as they wheeled me out to the operating room," he said. "They were probably, 'I love you.' At least I hope those were my last words. On the other hand they may have been, 'Good morning, doctor.'"

He said he often dreamed of frosty root beers shared with his father.

"In my dreams I'm talking all the time," he said. Ebert and Winfrey, who are old friends, discussed his day-to-day life since his cancer diagnosis, and the show chronicled a typical day for the Eberts, which involved three film screenings, a meeting about a possible new TV project and a lot of writing for Roger.

These days Ebert is cancer-free, and he has ruled out any future surgeries.

"This is the way I look and my life is happy and productive, so why have any more surgery?"

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THUMBS-UP

Roger Ebert said he can't remember a year when it seemed easier to predict the Oscars-which take place Sunday-but acknowledged "those may be famous last words." These are his picks. AP



Best Picture: "The Hurt Locker."



Rest Director Kathryn Bigelow for "The Hurt Locker."



Best Actress: Sandra Bullock for "The Blind Side."



Best Actor: Jeff Bridges for "Crazy Heart."

Best Supporting Actress: Mo'Nique for "Precious."

Best Supporting Actor: Christoph Waltz for "Inglourious Basterds."

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Battle of the frizz

Chicago Tribune

In a tizzy over frizzies? If you have something other than naturally straight hair, you're probably dealing with the affliction day-to-day, whether you live in blizzard-battered, staticscourged regions of the North or all-humidity-all-the-time patches of the South.

"It's the No. 1 hair complaint we get from readers," said Victoria Kirby, beauty editor for Allure magazine.

Here are some tips from Kirby for those who are frizz-fighting at home.

What to prep with













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A team led by an MIT scientist says a compound called PolyfluoroEster prevents humidity from penetrating hair more thoroughly than a typical anti-frizz ingredient, silicone. Plus it is said to coat cuticles to reduce friction. It's \$24 for 4 ounces at **sephora.com**. The reviews are as rave as you're going to get from the frizz constituency.

"Even the editors here, who are very hard to sway, say it's a miracle product," Kirby says.

Drugstore alternative

John Frieda's Frizz-Ease product line gets props from Allure magazine and Paula Begoun, author of "Don't Go Shopping for Hair-Care Products Without Me." Frizz-Ease's makers say supermodel Gisele Bundchen uses Creme Serum Overnight **Repair Formula**. You apply it to dry hair before bed, two or three times a week. It's \$8.99 for 1.69 ounces at drugstore.com.

Deeper conditioning

Kirby urges a deep conditioning treatment once a week. Rene Furterer's Myrrhea line has a Silkening Mask (\$23 for 3.4 ounces at **sephora.com**). Phyto has a Phytojoba intense hydrating mask (\$38 at 6.7 ounces at ulta.com). Salon straightening treatments can be beneficial, but Kirby urges caution with those dubbed "Brazilian." Some use formaldehyde. "Ask your salon how the treatment straightens," Kirby said. "If it uses keratin, great. If they say something else, you might want to think twice."

Styling

Brushes

Natural boar-bristle brushes help seal the hair cuticle of those who blow-dry straight, Kirby says. Many salon stylists like Marilyn brushes (themarilynbrush.com). especially compared with the price of Mason-Pearson (masonpearson. com).

Dryers

Consider investing in a hair dryer that boasts buzz words such as "ceramic," which evenly distributes heat, and "ionic," which is said to help neutralize static and frizz. If you want to preserve curls, make sure the dryer comes with a diffuser. One option: T3 tourmaline dryers (starting at \$119, at ulta.com).

Irons

If you use a straightening iron, ceramic and ionic remain key words. A beveled edge gives a more natural curve to ends. Sultra irons (starting at \$145 at sephora.com) have auto shut-off. Maxius irons (starting at \$69.95 at **HSN.com**) are good for coarse hair, Kirby says.

The finish

Skip hair spray! Try either a shine spray between your hands, such as Citre Shine's Shine Mist Anti-Frizz Spray Laminator (\$3.99 at drugstores), or skim a smidgen of anti-frizz cream over the surface, such as Fekkai **Advanced Brilliant** Glossing Cream (\$20 for 4 ounces at ulta.com).

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'Thieves'

She & Him M. Ward and Zooey Deschanel of She & Him bring their second collaboration, "Volume Two," to light March 23, with 11 new original songs and two covers of tunes by Skeeter Davis and NRBQ. The duo recently performed an acoustic version of the leadoff track "Thieves" for the

BBC. sarah zupko.

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VIDEO

'This Too Shall Pass' OK Go; watch it at okgo.net

From the band that made dancing on treadmills an art form comes another mind-boggling music video. This time Chicago fave OK Go uses an ENORMOUS Rube Goldberg contraption, powered by ball bearings, smashed TVs, paint cannons and dropped pianos among other items, to keep the action moving. It's totally worth the time you'll spend watching and rewatching. TRENT KOLAND, REDEYE

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'Law & Order: SVU'

8 p.m. Wednesday, NBC

Kathy Griffin goes lips-to-lips with Mariska Hargitay's Detective Olivia Benson in the comic's much-buzzed about guest appearance as lesbian activist Babs Duffy. Expect to see behind-the-scenes footage this summer: Griffin's "My Life on the D-List" camera crews caught the whole experience. Mischa Barton guests in another new "SVU" at 9 p.m. curt wagner, redeye

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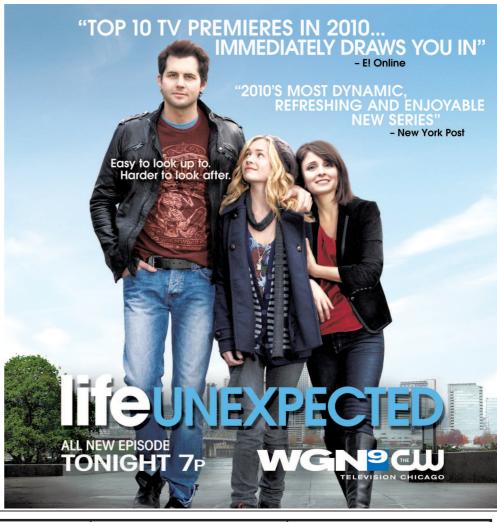


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- Vanya on 42nd Street (PG) 6:00 P.M.
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- Invictus (PG-13) 2:15,6:00,8:40
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- AMC Select Mv Name Is Khan (PG-13) 2:30,6:10

- AMC Select My Name is Khan (PG-13) 2:30,6:10
 AMC Select The Imaginarium of Doctor Parnassus (PG-13) 2:20 P.M.

 AMC Select Nine (PG-13) 4:40 P.M.

 AMC Select The Young Victoria (PG) 5:10 P.M.

 Invictus (PG-13) 1:50,7:20

 AMC Select The Messenger (R) 2:05 P.M.

 AMC Select Precious: Based on the Novel ``Push" by Sapphire (R) 4:30,7:10

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- The Crazies (R) 11:45,1:45,2:45,4:45,5:45,7:45,8:45,10:40 Cop Out (R) 11:15,1:15,2:15,4:15,5:15,7:15,8:15,10:15 Shutter Island (R)11:00,1:20,1:30,2:30,3:30,5:00,6:00,8:30,9:30,10:30 The Wolfman (R) 11:05,2:05,4:50,7:30,10:25
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 When in Rome (PG−13) 1:20 P.M.

 Edge of Darkness (R) 4:40,10:45

 The Book of Eli (R) 11:35,2:10,8:25

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 AMC Select Up in the Air (R) 11:40,2:40,5:30,8:15,10:55

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 The Blind Side (PG−13) 1:00,6:40

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- Cop Out (R) ★ 12:30,2:00,3:50,4:40,6:50,7:40,9:30,10:20 The Crazies (R) ★ 1:30,2:20,4:20,5:10,7:20,8:00,9:50,10:25 Shutter Island (R) ★ 12:20,1:00,1:50,3:30,4:10,5:00,6:40,7:30,8:10,9:40,10:30
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 Up in the Air (R) 9:10 P.M.
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 The Blind Side (PG-13) 1:45,4:50,7:45,10:40

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- The Blind Side (PG-13) 12:40,3:40,6:40,9:45

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- Cop Out (R) ★ 12:50,1:20,3:40,4:10,6:40,7:10,9:20,9:50
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- The Spy Next Door (PG) 2:15,4:40,7:20,9:45
- Alvin and the Chipmunks: The Squeakquel (PG) 2:00,4:15 Avatar 3D (PG-13) 12:00,3:30,7:00,10:30

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 Avatar 3D (PG-13) 1:05,4:25,7:45

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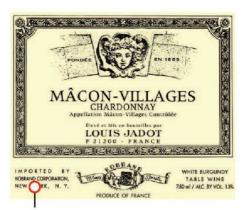
When you are rushed for time or just need something quick and easy, frozen meals can be handy and convenient. You may feel a pang of guilt for not making the effort to cook but by adding wine you can heat up your frozen dinner and turn the whole affair into something luxurious. The same food and wine pairing principles apply to your favorite fro-

Because we're dealing with pre-portioned food items, I've paired them with half-bottles so you'll have just the right amount of wine to go with your meal. A half-bottle will yield approximately 2.5 glasses of wine. REDEYE SPECIAL CONTRIBUTOR ALPANA SINGH IS DIRECTOR OF WINE AND SPIRITS FOR LETTUCE ENTERTAIN YOU ENTERPRISES AND THE HOST OF "CHECK, PLEASE!" ON WITW.

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Kashi Lemongrass Coconut Chicken with Kim Crawford Sauvignon blanc New Zealand \$10

The fresh grassy and citrus notes of the Sauvignon blanc accentuate the lemongrass and Asian flavors in the dish.



Trader Joe's Tarte d'Alsace with Louis Jadot Macon Villages France \$8

The bright, crisp yellow apple flavors of this Chardonnay provide a refreshing contrast against the salty ham and Gruyere cheese in the flatbread.

Amy's **Black Bean Enchilada** with **Apaltagua** Cabernet



Sauvignon Reserva Chile \$6 The fresh and juicy blackberry flavors in this Cabernet Sauvignon pair well with the cumin and subtle spice flavors in the enchilada.

Amy's Vegetable Lasagna with Felsina Chianti Classico Italy \$14

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The spicy condiments

ABC has revealed the pairings on "Dancing With the Stars." Some highlights:

» Olympian Evan Lysacek and Anna Trebunskaya, the sultry redhead pro dancer. A poll on **tvguide.com** shows that 39 percent of respondents believe this couple will win.

» ESPN's lovely Erin Andrews and Maksim Chmerkovskiy, the hottest hoofer out there. Rawr!

» Reality mom Kate Gosselin and Tony Dovolani, who is one of the married dancers. Watch your hands, newly divorced lady! BTW, Gosselin told Jimmy Kimmel that she expects to win, even though she lacks coordination.

» Singer Nicole Scherzinger and Derek Hough, the blond with the beautiful abs. Expect very little fabric in her costumes.



The onion

It looks as though Bailey (the great Chandra Wilson, above) is about to get her heart broken on "Grey's Anatomy." Jason George, who plays Bailey's boyfriend, has joined the cast of "Off the Map," **ew.com** reports. We're crying for Bailey because she's probably too tough to do so. **ABCPHOTO**



TV Land has announced that it has greenlit 10 episodes of the sitcom "Hot in Cleveland," starring awesome TV veterans Valerie Bertinelli, Wendie Malick and Jane Leeves. Betty White also has a role. This is good for us, like tasty veggies.

The cheese

Jeffrey Osborne (left) singing "On the Wings of Love" on Monday's "After the Final Rose" show. Where did ABC dig him up?

The meat

Jay Leno's "Tonight Show" return and "The Bachelor" did well in the all-important ratings game. Fifteen million people watched Jake pop the question to Vienna on "The Bachelor" finale. Meanwhile Leno's kickoff Monday night beat up David Letterman's "Late Show": 6.6 million viewers to 3.8 million, eonline.com reports. What happened to all those people angrily insisting they would not watch Leno?



By Emily Rosenbaum Maka REDEYE

There's a lot of TV news to digest this week. Let's break the items down into their corresponding sandwich ingredients:

Steppin' out We asked readers which Chicago personalities they'd like to see on "Dancing With the Stars," and here are some of their suggestions:

» George Wendt »

- –Kathleen Flanagan, North Center
- » Oprah
- –David Williams,Morgan Park

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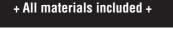
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Pattinson would like to be quiet

"Twilight" hottie Robert Pattinson thinks "Betty White is one of the sexiest women in America." He told "The View" women Tuesday about his appreciation for older women and also was asked about his recent odd comment in Details that he is "allergic to vaginas." "I learned two things from that interview," he said. "One thing, never try and make jokes in interviews, and the other thing is just, like, never do interviews ever."

'Idol' ailments

"American Idol" Top
20 contestant Crystal
Bowersox, who used
to live in Chicago
and has diabetes, has
been hospitalized,
Fox confirmed to
usmagazine.com.
As a result, the guys
competed on Tuesday
night's show and the
women were moved
to Wednesday. In other
"Idol" news, Season
5 alum Elliott Yamin,

who is trapped in Chile

after the quake, needs

insulin supplies to treat

his diabetes, he tells

foxnews.com.



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Lil Wayne hangs around

Lil Wayne's sentencing on a gun charge has been postponed yet again, this time due to a fire in the basement of Manhattan Criminal Court, a New York Fire Department spokesman told **eonline**. **com**. This further postpones a trip to jail for Dwayne Carter III, who got another pass when he needed dental surgery.

She's getting more dates

Being referred to as "sexual napalm" isn't bugging Jessica Simpson that much. John Mayer blabbed to Playboy that she is "crazy" in bed, but Simpson says on "The Oprah Winfrey Show" on Wednesday that although she doesn't want people to know such intimate details about her, her phone rang "off the hook" when the interview came out.

10 p.m.

That's showtime for "The George Lopez Show," which is featuring "The Jersey Shore Presents" skits spoofing Oscar-nominated movies this week. You can see Snooki as Brad Pitt's character in "Inglourious Basterds," along with the men doing a lame-ass job of defusing bombs in their "Hurt Locker" spoof. See the skits at **redeyechicago.com/showpatrol**.

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